

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

On page 1 of the specification, below the title, please insert:

**CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application claims priority to International Application No. PCT/EP2003/07418, filed July 9, 2003, titled TRANSPONDER CIRCUIT, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

On page 1 of the specification, and prior to paragraph [0001], please insert:

**FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

After paragraph [0001], and prior to paragraph [0002], please insert:

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

After paragraph [0006], and prior to paragraph [0007], please insert:

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

Prior to paragraph [0015], please insert:

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION**